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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: ROSAZZA, John P.N., et al. ART UNIT: 1651
SERIAL NO: 09/225,426
FILED: January 5, 1999 EXAMINER: SAUCIER, S.
TITLE: PURIFIED NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

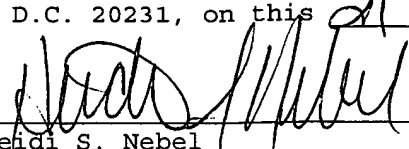
In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 22, 2000, Applicant hereby provisionally elects to proceed with the species of Group I (arginine-rich peptides).

REMARKS

The Examiner entered a species election on the case of (1) arginine-rich peptides, (2) oligopeptides, (3) protein inhibitors of NOS. Applicant hereby provisionally elects to proceed with species (1) relating to arginine-rich peptides. It is understood that prosecution on the generic claims will

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this document and any documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 21 day of April, 2000.


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